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## September 2016

### Lewis & Clark County 4-H Newsletter

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### 4-H Council Update

By: David Hamilton, Council President

I would like to invite everyone to the **County 4-H Council Meeting, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building.** Thank you for a successful Fair. Nominations are open for President, Treasurer, Foundation Rep, Youth Reps, and District 6 Rep. Please get nomination information to Kim Lowry [kimberly@unitedcountrymontana.com](mailto:kimberly@unitedcountrymontana.com) As always if you have questions or concerns please contact me at 431-1948 or email at [davidhamilton431@gmail.com](mailto:davidhamilton431@gmail.com)

### MSU Extension Update

By: Mary Meyer, Extension Agent

Club Leaders, are you ready for a new year? Here are some fun activities:

[4-H Games and Activities](#)

Club Leader Update will be **September 26<sup>th</sup> OR 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the Upper Extension Conference Room.** Club packets will be given out during the update. If a club leader cannot attend an update scheduled appointments can be made. Ideas or questions? Send them to [mary.meyer@montana.edu](mailto:mary.meyer@montana.edu)

### National 4-H Week | October 2-9, 2016

Start scoping out a great place to do a window display for your club! Here's [some tips](#) on promoting National 4-H Week. Council awards the top three winning displays.

### Ron Schatz Memorial

Applications for the [Ron Schatz Memorial](#) are due October 15<sup>th</sup>. \$800 is available to help fund project goals. Thank you for this generous memorial from the Schatz family.

### Helena McDonald's New 4-Her Sponsor

Applications for the [New 4-Hers to Raise Livestock](#) are due October 15<sup>th</sup>. \$1000 to raise a steer and \$500 to raise a hog, lamb, or goat. Thanks to Terry and Summer Gauthier for this great sponsorship opportunity. Please help spread the word!!!

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## Countywide Events & Updates

### Project Recognition Awards and County Awards

These awards are earned when you go beyond the basic project requirements. Check out the forms on the county 4-H website to see which ones you qualify for. Forms due to the Extension office September 20.

### 4-H Camp

By: Catherine McNeil, Camp Co-Leader

4-H Camp Meeting - Sunday **September 18 at 3 pm at the BHB**. We will be discussing what did and didn't work for camp and look at what we can do to make next year's 4-H camp the best one ever. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine at 439-8570.

### Lewis & Clark 4-H Foundation

By: Peggy Bartmess, 4-H Foundation Secretary

Check out the raffle winners [online](#)! Thank you to the 4-H community for selling raffle tickets!

### 4-H Open House

National 4-H Week is October 2 - 9, 2016. In recognition of this Lewis and Clark County will be having an open house on **October 8 from 1-3 pm at the BHB**. We are in need of clubs and projects to be present to answer questions and promote 4-H programs. If you are interested in having a table or doing an activity, please contact Janet at 4-H Extension Office at 447-8346 or Catherine at 439-8570.

### County Awards Night

Come celebrate your 2015-2016 4-H year with the Lewis and Clark County 4-H Ambassadors and Teen Leaders at the STAR WARS Awards Night. It will be a potluck dinner on **October 29**. Dinner will begin at 5:30 pm. Immediately following the awards program, the teen leaders will provide Trunk or Treat for the kids. Chicken will be provided by the Lewis and Clark 4-H Council. Please bring a dish for at least 15 people. If you are interested in providing a trunk or have any questions, please contact Catherine at 439-8570.

### Drone Discovery

The 4-H National Youth Science Day Experiment is [Drone Discovery](#)! The kits have been ordered and we need to pick a day to try them out! If you would like to participate please fill out the [Doodle Poll](#).

### Bale Contest

Get your hay bales ready to go!!! The Lewis & Clark County Farm Bureau will be hosting a bale contest this fall. All 4-H members can participate. The Farm Bureau will have guidelines available by the end of September. There will be cash prizes for the top three!! Be sure to keep a look out for these in the next newsletter, or feel free to contact Karl Christians at 431-1580, or Loretta Burnham at 439-3675!!

## Indoor Project Updates

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Indoor</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Dora Lindner</i> 406-475-3640	September 19, 2016 5:30 PM Extension Office	

Our next meeting will be Monday, **September 19th, at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Conference Room**. We will be discussing the 2016 4-H Fair, setting dates for county events, and filling Superintendent positions. All are

welcome to attend. If you are interested in being involved in Indoor Project Areas, please attend. Thanks to everyone for all your hard work in helping make a successful fair and 4-H year. Any questions, please contact Dora at 475-3640.

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Shooting Sports</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Cody &amp; Susan Mitchell</i> 406-439-3486 <b>Jr. Superintendent</b> <i>Austin Gransbery</i>	See different disciplines below	

## Shotgun

Anyone interested in the Shotgun Project please come to our meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the BHB. We will discuss the upcoming shotgun program. All ideas are welcome. If you have any suggestions for the Shotgun Project please call Scott Allen at 406-202-0905 or [scott59634@gmail.com](mailto:scott59634@gmail.com)

## Shooting Sports Instructor Training

The next Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training will be held in Lewistown on September 30 – October 1, 2016. The deadline for registration is September 16, 2016. Anyone interested in going to this certification please contact the Lewis and Clark County Extension office to get signed up. Shooting sports will reimburse you for the class fee but you will be responsible for your own transportation and accommodations.

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Teen Leadership</b>	<b>Superintendents</b> <i>Catherine McNeil</i> 406-439-8570 <i>Dora Lindner</i> 406-475-3640	September 18 4 PM, BHB	

Teen Leaders - We will be meeting Sunday September 18th at 4 pm at the BHB. We will discuss Awards Night, National 4-H Week and the 4-H Open House. Any youth interested in participating in teen leaders is encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine at 439-8570

## Outdoor Project Updates

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Outdoor</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>David Hamilton</i> 406-475-3640 <a href="mailto:davidhamilton431@gmail.com">davidhamilton431@gmail.com</a> <i>Sean Maharg</i> 406-438-2647 <a href="mailto:mahargs@mt.net">mahargs@mt.net</a> <b>Jr. Superintendents</b> <i>Kyler Maharg</i>	September 12 5:30 PM - BHB	<b>Animal Permission</b> Due with Enrollment

Thank you to everyone for a successful fair! A special "Thank You" needs to go out to the many individuals who took the time prior to and during fair to work on the new pig barn set up, the changes in the multi-purpose building and marketing campaigns across Helena. (The billboard on Montana Ave looks awesome). When you have a moment, please take time to thank our livestock committee members, including our junior members. These individuals work tirelessly throughout the year to support the youth in our community. As

we move into the new 4-H year, we look forward to working with all members in our 4-H program and having a successful 2016-2017. Our next Outdoor meeting is on September 12, 2016 @ 5:30 pm (BHB) and we have many items to discuss! As always, if you have any questions, please contact David or Sean.

## Quality Assurance

Quality Assurance Training will be offered this winter and spring. Setting dates will be discussed at Outdoor.

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Beef</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Shane Tamcke</i> 406-560-5470 <b>Jr. Superintendent</b> <b><i>Cody Barnes</i></b>		

Nice job beef kids at fair this year! Things ran very smoothly and all the cattle looked great and were well prepared for fair. With fair now behind us it is time to begin thinking about steers and heifers for next season and there are many options to consider. There are some excellent resources available to help you with your selection. When looking for cattle please keep in mind your finish date so you may talk with breeders and select something age appropriate for our fair. Also, if you have additional resources please forward those to me and I will share with all beef kids. A few I have already received include:

Sunny Slope Cattle – Private Treaty Sales of steers and heifers. For details call Jim Forseth

Vanek Club Calves – Sale on September 18th. For details and more info please call Dan at 406-949-1278 or Leonard at 406-949-1269.

NILE Stock Show – Several sales of prospect calves are scheduled during the NILE for more info please check out the website: [www.nile.org](http://www.nile.org)

Two Creek Ranch, Ovando – Sale info TBD Please call Wayne and Ben for more info: (406) 793-5532

Dixon Land and Livestock Sale Sunday October 2, 2016, Pomeroy WA. Consignments from Dixon Livestock, Missing Horn Ranch, Kalispell, MT., Kootenai Land and cattle, Rathdrum, ID., Minnaloosa cattle, Plummer, ID., and 4 W Ranch, Lind, WA. 60-70 Steers to sell. More info and pics to be posted on Dixon land and livestock club calf sale on Facebook. They anticipate pricing to start in \$1,200 range.

Lucky U Cattle in Stevensville will host their sale on Tuesday October 4th. For more info please call: Jon (406) 799-2973

Probst Livestock – For details on Private Treaty Steer and Heifer Sales call Seth at: 406-925-3085

Please forward details on other options to me to share with beef kids and as always let me know if you have any questions that I can help you with.

Sincerely,  
Shane Tamcke | Beef Superintendent | 406-560-5470

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Livestock Judging</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Georgana Webster</i> 360-319-2093		

Call Georgana to join in on practice as the dates and locations rotates.  
 September Meeting – TBD - practice identifying specie structure  
 October 16 & 17- Nile - watch judging contest and shows  
 “The Judging Experience” will be held in Columbus, MT October 1 & 2. Registration is due September 24<sup>th</sup>.  
 For more information contact Curtis Doubet [curtisdoubet@gmail.com](mailto:curtisdoubet@gmail.com) or look online at  
<https://www.facebook.com/The-Judging-Experience-1427463313946991/>

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Poultry</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Val Williams</i> 406-475-5345 <i>Nicole Newman</i> 406-422-6136 <b>Jr. Superintendent</b> <i>Kaitlyn Edwards</i>		

Val is stepping down as the Co-Poultry Superintendent. Thanks Val for all your support to 4-H!!!

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Rabbit</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Vanessa Olson</i> 406-431-1598 <i>Sheri Onstott</i> 406-431-1014 <b>Jr. Superintendent</b> <i>Clancy Olson</i> <i>Alexis Sandoval</i>		

We will not be having a rabbit meeting in September. Our next rabbit meeting will be October 24 at 6:00 in the BHB. If you have any questions, please contact Sheri at [nighthorse1970@gmail.com](mailto:nighthorse1970@gmail.com) or Vanessa at [2qtrcircle@gmail.com](mailto:2qtrcircle@gmail.com)

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Goat</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Karyn Hamilton</i> 406-461-7536		

You may have noticed that there were fewer goats at the fair. This was due to being able to take the does home and leave only the market animals. It gave us a little more room to work with in the barn. I think all of the market wethers looked good. Only 2 were judged on the rail (I was hoping they would all go) but that was a start, maybe next year.

Hope all of you are making plans now for the coming 4-H year. Hope to see you at a workshop.

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Sales</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Karyn Hamilton</i> 406-461-7536		

Thank you for a successful Livestock Auction, Carcass Contest, and Buyer's Dinner! Many hands helped make this a great year. Be sure you thank your buyer and anyone that helped you along the way.

Thank you to all the 4-H members that participated in the 1st Annual Reader Board Challenge. It was awesome to see information about the Livestock Auction on business reader boards around town. It is also great advertising at no cost!! The winner of the drawing for a \$25 Murdoch's gift card is Rye Lee VanDiest! Everyone else, as you drive around town, think about which businesses you can ask next year.

The Advertising and Dinner committee did a tremendous job and the buyers I talked to really enjoyed being able to sit down to dinner and be able to talk with the kids. If you have any thoughts for us next year let us know, but be ready to help implement them. Check out the billboard on Montana Avenue at the railroad tracks for our Thank You to the buyers.

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Swine</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Dave Swanson</i> <b>Jr. Superintendents</b> <i>Miranda Bragg</i> <i>Wade Bratlien</i>		

To market swine kids and families,  
Nice job at the fair this year, and thanks to those who helped us out after carcass evaluations.  
Enjoy the rest of your summer.  
Dave Swanson

Project	4-H Leadership	Next Meeting	Important Dates
<b>Horse</b>	<b>Superintendent</b> <i>Dawn Schneider</i> 406-458-4877 <b>Jr. Superintendent</b> <i>Sidney Gates</i> <i>Savannah Schneider</i>	September 19, 2016 5:30 PM - BHB <b>See more below</b>	

Congratulations to all the kids who participated in the Horse events for our County Fair. All of the kiddos did a great job and received a lot of great feedback from the judge. Congratulations to the all the Hi-Point winners in each division. Please be sure if your kiddo was a Hi-Point recipient, that the Thank you's are being sent out to the sponsors. An e-mail went out a couple of weeks ago with the mailing addresses.

The Friday Fun Night @ the County Horse Show was a great time! Lots of fun costumes and laughs. Again, thank you to all the parents who participated and congratulations to the parents who won the traveling trophies.



**Upcoming Events:** As always, be sure to watch your e-mails and Facebook for the latest information on project events.

**September 7** – Registration deadline for the State Horse Show. Please see project e-mails for additional information.

**September 10 & 11 – Horsemanship Clinic ~RSVP by September 4**

**\*\*Open to ALL horse project members**

When: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Who: Clinician Peggy Lucas

Where: Multi-Purpose Building at the Fairgrounds

Fee: \$10/day/member \*\*This is to help cover the arena fees\*\*

What: Saturday (September 10) ~ Showmanship and English

Sunday (September 11) ~ Western and Trail

**September 17 – Reining Clinic ~RSVP by September 4**

**\*\*Open to ALL horse project members**

When: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Who: Clinician Johnette Burman

Where: Rea Quarter Horses

**September 19 – Horse Project Meeting – 5:30 @ BHB ~** All members and parents are encouraged to attend the September meeting. At this meeting nominations and/or re-election for the project superintendent will take place. Suggestions for policy changes/additions will also take place at this meeting. We want to hear from the youth members so please make this meeting a priority.

**Awards** – The [Junior and Senior Horsemanship Award](#) applications are due September 30. All members applying must submit their record books and project books along with the application – see application [link](#) for more information. The awards will be presented to youth members at Awards Night October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Horse Project Facebook and E-Mail:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Lewis-Clark-County-4-H-Horse-Project>

E-mail: [lc4horseproject@gmail.com](mailto:lc4horseproject@gmail.com)

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## Adult Round Robin


Canyon Creek Stock 4-H Club thanks all the adults that participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult Round Robin Fundraiser. It was a great success and we hope you are planning your costumes for next year's round robin! The 2016 winner of the Golden Boot is the Farm Kids 4-H Club and the Silver Boot went to Sleeping Giants 4-H Club.



## Montana 4-H and National 4-H Updates

### Montana 4-H Leadership Forum | September 30-October 2 | Lewistown, MT

The 2016 Montana 4-H Leader's Forum planning committee from District 3 would like to invite you 2016 Montana 4-H Leadership Forum. Participants will have an opportunity to learn together with volunteers and staff from across Montana and beyond through workshops and activities that promote, encourage, and educate 4-H volunteers to become extraordinary leaders in their 4-H programs. For more information stay tuned to the Montana 4-H website, <http://montana4h.org/#program:24>

First Class Registration \$80 8/10– 8/30 Main Cabin Registration \$100 9/1—9/12 Box Car Registration \$150 9/13—9/23 <a href="http://www.montana4h.com">www.montana4h.com</a>		Calling all Leaders!! Calling all Leaders!! First Boarding Call for the 2016 State 4-H Leaders Forum. Attractions along the track Eleven Tours Fifty-seven Workshops Awesome Keynote Speaker
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